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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that John W. Glaser, 35, of Prairie Farm, Wisconsin, was sentenced January 12, 2006, by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 46 months in prison and a \$5,000 fine for distribution of methamphetamine. Glaser pleaded guilty to this charge on November 10, 2005.

On March 3, 2004, investigators from the Barron-Rusk Drug Enforcement Unit and Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau, searched Glaser's home for evidence of the manufacture of methamphetamine and discovered an active methamphetamine laboratory. Investigators continued to gather evidence and on October 6 and 11, 2004, they purchased methamphetamine from Glaser. On October 12, 2004, investigators conducted another search of his home and seized items which were consistent with the manufacture of methamphetamine. Glaser was then charged in Barron County with the sale and manufacture of methamphetamine and released on bond.

After Glaser failed to appear for a state court proceeding, two Barron County Deputies went to his home to arrest him and found him manufacturing

methamphetamine in a backyard shed. Glaser was taken into state custody and remained there until September 19, 2005, when he was arrested on federal charges for distributing and manufacturing methamphetamine. The state charges were dropped after a federal grand jury returned an indictment on September 14, 2005, for distributing and manufacturing methamphetamine.

The charges against Glaser were the result of an investigation conducted by the Barron-Rusk Drug Enforcement Unit and Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau. Prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter M. Jarosz.

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